IN THE CLAIMS

Claims 1-15. (Cancelled)

16. (Previously presented) A method for conducting a transaction using a cashier-side unit and a customer-response unit, the customer-response unit including a communications link, the method comprising:

receiving, via the communications link of the customer-response unit, content for presentation at the customer-response unit during the transaction;

communicating a monetary amount of the transaction from the cashier-side unit to the customer-response unit;

receiving customer input at the customer-response unit; and transmitting the customer input and the monetary amount to a remote service provider for authorization.

- 17. (Previously presented) A method according to claim 16, further comprising: entering the monetary amount of the transaction into the cashier-side unit.
- 18. (Previously presented) A method according to claim 16, further comprising: receiving authorization from the remote service provider for the transaction.
- 19. (Previously presented) A method according to claim 16, further comprising: generating a record of the transaction and transmitting the record to an electronic receipts service.
- 20. (Previously presented) A method according to claim 16, wherein the content for presentation comprises an advertisement, coupon or award.
- 21. (Previously presented) A method according to claim 16, wherein the customer input

comprises an electronic signature.

- 22. (Previously presented) A method according to claim 16, wherein the customer input comprises a personal identification number (PIN).
- 23. (Previously presented) A method according to claim 16, wherein the customer input comprises a biometric data.
- 24. (Previously presented) A method according to claim 16, further comprising: presenting the content at the customer response unit.
- 25. (Currently amended) A method according to claim 16, wherein the cashier-side unit does [[no]] not receive the content for presentation at the customer response unit.
- 26. (Currently amended) A system for conducting a transaction, comprising:

 a cashier-side unit comprising:

a cashier interface for entering a monetary amount of the transaction; and an authentication interface for transmitting information to an authentication

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a customer-response unit coupled to the cashier-side unit, the customer-response unit comprising:

an interface to a content-provider for receiving content for presentation; and a customer interface for receiving customer input; and

the cashier-side unit comprising:

a cashier interface for entering a monetary amount of the transaction; and
an authentication interface for transmitting the customer input and the monetary
amount to an authentication server; and

an electronics receipts service for storing a record of the transaction.

27. (Canceled)

- 28. (Previously presented) A system according to claim 26, wherein the content for presentation comprises an advertisement, coupon, or award.
- 29. (Previously presented) A system according to claim 26, wherein the customer input comprises a signature.
- 30. (Previously presented) A system according to claim 26, wherein the customer input comprises a personal identification number (PIN).
- 31. (Previously presented) A system according to claim 26, wherein the customer input comprises a biometric data.
- 32. (Previously presented) A computer program product for conducting a transaction using a cashier-side unit and a customer-response unit, the customer-response unit including a communications link, the computer program product comprising a computer readable medium encoded with a program module, the program module including instructions for:

receiving, via the communications link of the customer-response unit, content for presentation at the customer-response unit during the transaction;

receiving a monetary amount of the transaction from the cashier-side unit; receiving customer input at the customer-response unit; and

transmitting the customer input and the monetary amount to a remote service provider for authorization.